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Weather Forecasts for To-day.

California—Rain in the southern part; rain

and clear weather in the northern portion;

variable winds; colder.

Oregon and Washington—Continued cold;

fair weather.

Benjamin REECE, in the *Popular Science*

Monthly, asks a question that bears its an-

swer upon its face:

Do not the facts disclosed by our social statis-

tics cause it to appear that, in the adjustment of

our social condition, we are still in a state of

material advancement and development of

wealth, and that we are correspondingly losing

in the direction of moral growth and culture?

We take it there can be no two opinions

upon that subject. We would not intro-

duce into the schools religious codes, but

we would have some turn given to the

tendency to move upon too hard material

lines of progress, that the moral sense

shall be more quickened, and the duties of

man to man more dwelt upon. The school

system that permits decay of moral growth

and culture is not wisely directed.

Mr. KEACHEL in the *Forum*, is sound

in the conclusion he reaches, that farming

in the United States now requires versa-

tile and skilled labor; that success in

it calls for uncommon ability, and that

modern farming demands men trained to

it. In a great degree, was not this always so?

Has it not always been true that good

farming involved skilled labor and ability

of a special degree of excellence? Of

course, in this day, when the competitive

strife is greater, when the attrition in all

business is sharper, there is a call for

keener wits than formerly in farming.

But the economic farmer, the really suc-

cessful farmer, however unintelligent on

other subjects, always was a man of special

if not uncommon, ability. In the nature

of things he had to be.

The Springfield *Republican* is agitating

the reform of biennial elections. It is

a full time. Indeed, it has long been a

puzzle why the people of Massachusetts

have so tenaciously clung to the inconven-

ience of yearly elections of Governor and

yearly sessions of the Legislature. Cali-

fornia formerly elected its Governor bi-

ennially, but it considered that a long step

in advance was made when the change to

a gubernatorial election once in four

years was ordered. The politicians would

like elections for all State officers to occur

yearly, and would be better pleased if the

Legislature were in session all the time,

but the people prefer fewer elections and

that the sessions of the Legislature should

not be held oftener than once in two years.

Yet here is the State of New York con-

senting to be torn by yearly sessions of the

legislative body, while nearly all the

other States are striving to have as few

sessions and as infrequent elections as are

possible, consistently with good govern-

ment.

M. ZOLA wants to occupy Emile Au-

gier's chair among the immortals. He de-

clares that he is fit for the distinguished

honor, and that he will apply for it and

not be discouraged by defeat. He insists

that his ambition will not be satisfied un-

til he is a member of the French Academy,

and that he proposes to live long enough to

see that his desire is realized.

The meeting of the Senate is to be voted

on the 2d of January.

SENATOR REAGAN proposes to have the

Government suspend the privilege of im-

porters from Europe to Mexico, by which

they can pass goods through the United

States, until Mexico abandons the free zone,

or neutral strip along the Rio

Grande, into which imports can be brought

of duty. It has become a great seat of

smuggling, and both governments are

anxious to put a stop to it.

It is Christmas Eve. Within an im-

mense theater, from whose entrance a

great ball of electric light shuns its pale,

cold moonlights, thousands of entranced

souls watch the mimic life played out

behind the footlights, but it is only

the curtain that separates them from the

auditorium.

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## THIRTY YEARS AGO.

## AN EPISODE OF JOHN BROWN'S HARPER'S FERRY RAID.

A Sacramento Teamster's Desperate Struggle for Life with Two High-waymen—Minor Matters.

Henry A. Wise, the Governor of Virginia, was at Harper's Ferry, where the John Brown excitement had not all disappeared, and the place was still under guard. One night he thought he would try the old plan of testing the vigilance of the sentries by surprising them in person. He sauntered forth in the darkness and approached a sentinel, who cried "Stop! Who are you?" "A friend," laconically replied the Governor. "Advance and give the countersign" said the sentinel firmly. Now came the Governor's hour of trial—he didn't know anything about any countersign. So he very blandly told the sentry that he was Henry A. Wise, Governor of Virginia. "I think you're a dod-gasted abolitionist," retorted the sentinel. "Get along here, lively now," and he began prouding the Governor with the edge of his bayonet.

The crest-fallen Executive of the State of States and of Statesmen realized that he had made a fool of himself, and very sheepishly allowed himself to be driven to the guard-house, where he was locked up until morning. It spent the lonely hours wondering if he would be Napoleon and Washington had managed to work the same dodge successfully.

Adeline Patti had just made her debut as a singer, and a Western paper, referring to her first performance, said: "She burst forth at the Academy of Music in the person of Adeline Patti, a sister of Madame Strakosch, and not her daughter, as has been stated. Adeline belongs to a singing family; but, as we may judge by the extra-vascular performances of her mother, she is destined to a higher flight than any singing-bird that has yet appeared among us. The *Horde* is, as usual, very high-hued, and she and the delects the delects, but as one of the most remarkable voices in the operatic history of the metropolis, or even the world." Where's Jenny Lind now? The *Times* is also excited, but in a less degree. After hearing Patti upon two or three occasions, it has come to the conclusion that she is one of those rare singers who appear at long intervals on the musical horizon, to revive not only the hopes of the managers, but the enthusiasm of the public. The *Times* has come to the conclusion from Chicago last night just thirty years after this wonderfully gifted songstress made her debut—showing that the Patti season which closed there yesterday was a remarkable one.

The season of Italian opera which closed at the Auditorium this afternoon was the most memorable in the history of amusement in Chicago. Since the dedication of the Grand Opera House four weeks ago, there have been twenty-one performances, and the gross receipts of these and the dedication ceremonies amount to \$232,954. It is believed that these figures exceed any record in the history of amusement in this country. The receipts for the last week were the largest. Patti appeared this afternoon in "The Barber of Seville," in her farewell performance. The audience that greeted her was the largest of the season, and the \$2000 door was turned away. The company left to-night for the City of Mexico, and will open a three-weeks' season there on January 11th.

A teamster, named L. S. Baker, while coming to the city on the 2d of January (1890) from Todd's valley, had a desperate encounter at dusk with two high-waymen this side of the old Franklin Hotel, on the west side of town. One—a Mexican, sought his leather belt, while the other leaped upon the wagon and with a drawn knife demanded Baker's money. Baker grabbed his own knife, at the same time warding off the robber's blow, the blow knocking him to the ground. Baker leaped after him, but the robber had got, and, in a bloody struggle ensued. Both were cut in many places, and finally the two high-waymen turned away. The company left to-night for Baltimore. It was thought to open in New Orleans. Kate Denin Ryan was making arrangements to sail for California.... Murdoch was playing with great success in Chicago.... Matilda Heron was at the Bowery, but was about to leave for England.

..... The Legislature (eleventh session) met in this city on the 2d of January, 1880. Phil Morris, of the Assembly, and N. J. Quinn, of the Senate, were chosen President pro tem. of the Senate. Lieutenant-Governor Walkup being the presiding officer. Among the State officers, Mr. N. A. Booth, State Dent, Denver; Eagan, Kirkpatrick, Crittenton, Peachy, Watkins, Watson and others of note. In the Assembly were Connell, Combs, Covarrubias, Daggett, Lambert, Lawrence, McAllister, Shannon, Starr of Sacramento, Wiley, Yancy of Sacramento, Wescott, Vandy and others.

The microcosm of disunion was already in festing the atmosphere of the South. The following extract was taken from the Legislature of South Carolina: "Resolved, that the State of South Carolina is ready to enter, together with other slaveholding States, into the formation of a confederacy of states; and that the members of such a confederacy are to be extremely clever housekeepers. One remarked the other day that they get more than their share of attention, and that it is their father or brothers (or maybe their intended husband) who wish to them.

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## THOSE GRATINGS.

The Baby-Traps on Down-Town Streets Still Open.

It was stated by Street Commissioner McLaughlin at a recent meeting of the City Trustees that property-owners who had placed iron gratings in their sidewalks parallel with the streets had been notified to change the same so that they would be at right angles therewith. Several accidents have occurred owing to the capsizing of baby-buggies by the wheels dropping through these gratings, and the newspapers have repeatedly called attention to the same.

## A LITTLE TIFF.

Police Judge Buckley Makes a Suggestion to the City Attorney.

When the case of Thomas Burns, accused of assault to murder D. J. Considine, was called in the Police Court yesterday, City Attorney Church asked for a further concurrence on the ground that the officers who were working up the case had not yet succeeded in getting all the witnesses.

Judge Buckley's ire was aroused by the request, and he stated in rather plain language that if he were the City Attorney he would not depend on the officers entirely to change the same so that they would be at right angles therewith. Several accidents have occurred owing to the capsizing of baby-buggies by the wheels dropping through these gratings, and the newspapers have repeatedly called attention to the same.

## FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

Several New Bodies File Articles of Incorporation.

The following articles of incorporation were filed in the Secretary of State's office yesterday:

## TIMELY SUGGESTION.

The Breeders and Sportsmen suggests that it would be a seasonable time for the various racing organizations—Los Angeles, Fresno, San Jose, Blood Horse, Sacramento and other places—to come to some arrangement by which the same could be employed and paid for the whole of next season. This would give the breeders and others a spring in the picture in their composition as well. The American ladies are allowed to be extremely clever housekeepers. One remarked the other day that they get more than their share of attention, and that it is their father or brothers (or maybe their intended husband) who wish to them.

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## HARMONY LODGE.

Visit of Grand Officers—Remarkable Growth in Membership.

The installation of the officers of Harmony Lodge, No. 329, Knights and Ladies of Honor, took place in their new hall, Pythian Castle, on Friday evening. The social festivities did not conclude until long after midnight, too late for publication yesterday morning.

## TWENTY-FIVE NEW MEMBERS.

Admitted by card from Equity Lodge and various propositions for membership were received.

Next Friday evening the degree of Protection will be conferred on eighteen new members, making an accession of forty-three to the twenty-eight which will entitle Harmony Lodge to the gavel offered as a prize for the lodge taking in the most new members with a certain period.

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## WITCHERY OF COOKERY.

## SCIENCE THAT ALL YOUNG LADIES SHOULD MASTER.

Sacramento to Have a School of Cookery—How Foreign Ladies are Trained in the Art.

A good story is told of a newly married couple who had just concluded their honeymoon and settled down to enjoy "low" in a cottage and all that sort of thing, and were speculating on the future.

"Do you think dear," asked the fond bride, "that our bark will be able to stem the tides and sail smoothly along on the sea of matrimony?"

"Oh, I think so," remarked the somewhat practical-minded husband, "but wouldn't it be a good idea just now to put into the nearest port and ship a good cook?"

Which calls to mind the fact that there is a movement on foot in this city at this time to establish a school of cookery, and in which young society ladies are evincing considerable interest. It is allowed that "there is nothing new under the sun," and perhaps there is little that is new to be said about schools of cookery, as it is agreed by sages that they afford a most useful service to the community.

Miss Olive L. Harper was granted a grammar grade certificate on his first grade.

William G. Lanigan was granted a grammar grade certificate on his first grade.

Section 3 of the County School Manual, which regulates the attendance at the County Institute, was unanimously amended as follows:

"All teachers who regularly employed, at the holding of the County Teachers' Institute, are required to attend the County Institute, and to receive a reward of \$100 for each day of attendance."

The American ladies of high birth are wonderfully capable, owing to their excellent system of education, from cutting a dress to making a salable garment.

Orrin Madison is probably one of the toughest specimens of boyhood that has been brought to the police station for months. He was arrested for stealing a quantity of tobacco from Shurburn's auction store on Friday evening, and told the arresting officer in the vileness of language that he would "do him up" if he didn't happen to be a member of the force.

Mr. Courtney and his wife have been released on \$1000 bail, and will remain in custody until Monday, when Madison will be tried.

The English girls are most remarkable apprentices and remain in the employ of their masters for a year or more, and then become self-sufficient.

Young ladies are

## EAST OF THE ROCKIES.

Fifty Persons Fatally Poisoned With Trichina.

## INFLUENZA STILL PREVALENT.

A Woman Murderess — Married Through Trickery—The Regular Batch of Murders.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

## OHIO'S SENATOR.

Brice Seems to Have the Inside Track—Talk of a Bolt.

COLUMBUS, January 4th.—The Senatorial campaign in a great measure has been won by legislative selection for the selection of officers of both branches. It is claimed generally that the canons nominating are in the interest of Brice for Senator to the Senate, and friends recognize the candidates themselves as being in the interest of the Union. All who were at any time prior to 1850 residents of California are eligible to membership in Senator Blair's Committee.

New York, January 4th.—The *Mail and Express* this evening has a letter from United States Senator Blair in which he says the Jesuits are alone responsible for opposing him, and that the men profess themselves satisfied with the situation and are not aggressive toward the other candidates.

Some prominence is being given the non-resident theory against Brice, and there is some talk of a bolt from the caucus in case Brice is nominated, but the reports cannot be traced to any reliable source.

LATER.—Private dispatches received to-night indicate that Colvin S. Brice is being hit pretty hard, and he may decide to throw his forces to a dark horse to prevent the election of any of his opponents.

## THEATRICAL PEOPLE.

A Great Many of Them Laid Up With Cold Complaints.

New York, January 4th.—A la grippe has invaded the theatrical profession in this city, and many footlight favorites are compelled to retire temporarily. The disease was most fatal in more than one case.

Pearlville, another, Frederick, is dead. He was a member of "The Brigands," a Casino company.

A cablegram from Madrid, Spain, stated that Frank Richichi, the famous ringmaster, had died. He died Friday from lung trouble due to influenza.

Among other stars of the stage now too ill to appear before the public, are Russell, Agnes Booth, Louis Massen, Neil Burgess, several members of the cast of "The Young Fair," and the popular Charles Hoyt and five of the "Brass Monkey" combination, and others equally prominent.

The London *Daily News* has been forced to admit that the influenza is a true epidemic, and that this is the first time it has imagined it—a mere scare. The matter is too serious to admit of self-deception. The plague is upon us in a most dangerous form, Chaplin, the Minister of Agriculture, has a severe attack.

## LIQUOR DID IT.

Two Innocent Children Murdered by Their Grandfather.

HAWAII (N. H.), January 4th.—Stephen Lal'ah, a Frenchman, whose home is in Bento, has been spending a few days with his son's family at Center Havenhill. To-day his son and wife went to the home of Lal'ah, and his wife in charge of their children. The two oldest children, leaving the other two at home. Some dispute arose in regard to them, when Lal'ah plucked out a handgun, and, hitting himself, also dealt her heavy blows with the hammer, fatally wounding her. At this point his master was attracted by the noise, and Lal'ah was discovered, and his wife, evidently assaulting his wife, whose life doubtless he would also have taken. Lal'ah was addicted to the use of liquor, and in all probability was under its influence when the crimes were committed. The murderer is in jail.

## Thought to be a Murderess.

TRENTON (N. J.), January 4th.—The mystery surrounding the murder of Mrs. Ketchum has been solved. The pretty young typewriter, it is however, practically a prisoner, and grave suspicion rests upon her. The police were this morning at the apartment where she was found unconscious when she was found, and the conclusion has been reached that Mrs. Kniffen's death was caused by a powerful stimulant administered in a heavy dose, and not by stranguulation.

Mrs. Purcell will have time to prove she is as innocent as she claims, but the motive is lacking, except it is found in the rumor that there existed between Mrs. Purcell and Dr. Ketchum a relationship which was at least unlawful.

## Wilkes Booth's Last Letter.

RICHMOND (Va.), January 4th.—A dispatch will be published to-morrow of a letter written by J. Wilkes Booth the day he assassinated Lincoln. In it he says: "for my motive good or bad, of one thing I am sure, the lasting condemnation of the North. I love peace more than life."

He discusses secession and singularly enough the race problem, regarding which, he says:

## "This country was formed for the white man, not for the black."

He signs himself, "A confederate doing duty on behalf of the confederacy."

## New York Death Rate.

NEW YORK, January 4th.—For the twenty-four hours ending at noon 234 deaths were reported, making a total for the week of 1,202. This is an unprecedented number for this season of the year. The number of deaths for the previous week was 762.

Three hundred and sixty-two policemen are on the sick list. Ten have died from pneumonia during the week. Fred Hall, a member of the Hall's Hail, has died this morning, this morning, died this morning, from the "Brigands" Company, which began an apparently slight attack of prevailing influenza.

## Nothing in the Rumor.

ST. PAUL, January 4th.—Archbishop Ireland was interviewed here to-day upon the subject of his reported coming. Investment with a Cardinal's hat and an appointment as Papal delegate to the United States. He said he was writing to the Republic to gain an audience with the Pope.

He would know if any more American Cardinals were to be created, and had heard nothing of it. Touching the Papal delegation question, he said the advice of the梵蒂岡大使館 was considered by the Vatican some time ago, and a decision reached not to appoint any.

## Brazil is Happy.

Bogotá (Colombia), January 4th.—A party of sixty persons gathered at the home of Henry Brant last night and sat down to supper. Among the meats served was sausage. The effect was awful. Forty-five of the guests, all of whom partook of the meal, became ill, vomited, and fell upon the floor. Henry Sheer died that morning, and twenty of the other victims of trichinosis are so bad, and still hope for recovery.

They reached the hospital, and a decision reached not to appoint any.

## More Bad Cold.

BLOOMINGTON (Ill.), January 4th.—There are nearly 100 cases of influenza at Saybrook, this county. Doctors are kept busy and night. There are a great many cases in Bloomington, but they are of a mild variety.

BOSTON, January 4th.—The Palatine, a steamship company, left Chicago at 10 p. m. for the City of Mexico direct. This is the longest jump ever made by an opera or dramatic company. Patti says she will be on the *Autumn* at 1890, where she will sing to the world's audience.

## Colored G. A. R. Pops.

NEW ORLEANS, January 4th.—André Calhoun Post, No. 9, Grand Army of the Republic, organized to-night. It is the first negro Post of the Grand Army, organization. Considerable feeling has been stirred up in the white Posts, and people are becoming alarmed at its rapid growth.

LOS ANGELES, January 4th.—A conservative estimate shows that there are over 45,000 cases of bad cold in this city. The warm damp weather has given the epidemic a firm hold, and people are becoming alarmed at its rapid growth.

## A Man Who Tried to Kill All the Inmates of a House.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 4th.—Most physicians are in agreement that the Mexican influenza has come from San Francisco with a prisoner, William Beckett, who after being examined by the Commissioners in Lunacy, will probably be sent to an insane asylum.

LOS ANGELES, January 1, 1889.—San Franckin the rooms of his brother-in-law, named Archer, at Fifth and Perry streets. He had been making a number of calls, and when he arrived at his sister's he was considerably improved. During the night he took a shot at Archer, but missed him without wounding to see what effect had been accomplished by his bullet. Beckett ran down stairs into a saloon and was again firing. A clear state of mind was evident, and early in the morning his brain was very much cooled.

A post-mortem will probably determine the cause of death, which is as yet a puzzle. Detective Hogan, who investigated the case, found the body of the deceased in a condition of extreme prostration. He was overpowered, but struggled like a madman.

## Acute Lung Diseases.

BOSTON, January 4th.—The death in this city at midnight. The loss has reached \$60,000. It began in the Metropolitan block, which now is ruins. Slater's block and several adjacent streets are burning.

## A Man Who Tried to Kill All the Inmates of a House.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 4th.—The report that he had been confined to the coast north of the Columbia river is assumed in shipping circles here to be correct. No doubt but that the unfortunate vessel is the schooner *Douglas Dearborn* Captain Frederick Worth, who received a dispatch from Arthur Sewall & Co., of Bath, Maine, asking if the report is true. Sewall & Co. announced that they would start a tug out of Astoria at once to examine the vessel.

The Dearborn is valued at \$60,000. She is an old schooner, and what sailor terms very cranky. There are no tides of the Columbia.

## A Lucky Blarne.

TACOMA (Wash.), January 4th.—One wing of the Fanny Paddock Hospital was destroyed by fire. The patients were safely removed, and practically everything in the wards was saved. The damage is light and covered by insurance.

## Held to Answer.

NAPA, January 4th.—John McDermott and Jerry O'Brien were this afternoon held to answer to the Superior Court for an assault with intent to commit great bodily harm.

The rescued man proved to be Anton Nicholas, a Russian fisherman. He and

man Wednesday night. He intended to shoot one Henry Fitzgerald, with whom he had just been mixed up in a row, but being a bad marksman, his bullet went John Farmer, Lee, and wounded the offenders all once. Farmer's wounds are serious.

The Supreme Court opens here on Wednesday. This will be the first sitting of the Court in the State of Montana.

**Fire at Shipboard.**

NEW YORK, January 4th.—A fire in the *City of Rio*, a line steamer La Champagne early this morning occasioned a panic among the passengers, many of whom were in bed in their staterooms. The vessel was ready to sail. The west was at the dock, and a small amount of fire was discovered, the hold, in which were loaded baled cotton, was flooded. The damage is slight and confined wholly to the cargo. The hour of sailing will be slightly delayed.

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four companions left here Tuesday in a fishing boat and while on the way back to this city and in the vicinity of Point Bonita, a rock struck the boat and the vessel capsized. His four companions were drowned, but by a miracle he was thrown upon the rock and managed to remain there until rescued.

The names of his comrades are given as Nick, Mike and Peax, three Greek fishermen, and another one named George Michael.

**ABOUT THE WEATHER.**

**The Overland Mails Detained—The Trains Blocked by Snow.**

**SAN FRANCISCO, January 4th.—The**

**Storm is still responsible for the delay of the mail.**

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